

CARPENTER

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FATHER - THOMAS LINCOLN

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Thomas Lincoln Family

Thomas Lincoln Carpentry

Excerpts from newspapers and other
sources

From the files of the
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Mrs. Emma Churchill, being duly sworn, states that her grandfather, Richard Vernon, lived near Elizabethtown in Hardin County, Kentucky, and that he had Thomas Lincoln, (the father of Abraham Lincoln) who was living at Elizabethtown and working at his trade as carpenter, cabinet maker and wheelwright, make several pieces of furniture for him.

She states that the said Thomas Lincoln made a cherry bed and a walnut chest for her grandfather and that neither of said pieces has ever been sold. She well remembers seeing these two pieces of furniture in her grandfathers home and later in the the home of her aunt, Mrs. Lou Vernon Dodge. Her grandfather, Richard Vernon, told her that Thomas Lincoln made these pieces about the year 1807 and he kept them in his own home until his death, when they became the property of his daughter, Mrs. Lou Vernon Dodge, who owned them until her death in the year 1908. Before she died Mrs. Dodge gave the two pieces to her friend, Mrs. Mary Sweets, who lives at Elizabethtown, Ky. to become her property after her death and Mrs. Sweets has had the bed and chest in her possession ever since that time.

Mrs. Churchill further states that she can positively identify the bed and chest as the same pieces which were owned in her family for two generations and later by Mrs. Sweets as the same pieces which her grandfather told her were made by Thomas Lincoln more than one hundred years ago and that these pieces of furniture have never been out of the possession and ownership of the three parties named herein.

Mrs. Emma Churchill

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Mrs. Emma Churchill this October 17, 1927.

L. K. English
Notary Public Hardin County, Ky
My commission expires Feby. 19, 1928

History of the Lincoln Bookcase.

My grandfather, Judge David T. Laird, was born in Lawrenceburg, Indiana, in 1818. He married Clarissa P. Haydon, of Burlington, Boone Co. Kentucky, in 1836. They moved down the Ohio to Troy, Indiana in 1847 when my mother, who was born in May, was a few months old.

There was living in Troy at that time, a Dr. Cotton, who had given Lincoln's mother some medical attention during her last illness and Lincoln, the boy, early evinced his inherent honesty and independence when he learned that Dr. Cotton had never been remunerated for his services by making an effort to cancel the debt.

It was at the time Lincoln was running the ferry at Anderson Creek, hearing Dr. Cotton express a wish for a cabinet in which to keep his medicines, he felled a wild cherry tree and with his partner, whipsawed the tree into lumber. A German cabinet maker, named Prohman, made the cabinet and it was given to Dr. Cotton.

Dr. Cotton gave the cabinet to my Grandfather to use as a bookcase when he opened his law office in Troy. He related all the incidents regarding the article of furniture to my Grandfather and told him at the time that Lincoln was possessed of the most brilliant mind he had ever known and that the world would hear from him.

My Mother has told me this story many times. as her father had told it to her, she left me the bookcase and it is now in the office of my son, Durham D. Hall, an attorney of Portland, Oregon.

Clarice Hooper Ford

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THE ELIZABETHTOWN CARPENTER

Abraham Lincoln was the son of Thomas Lincoln, a carpenter who for several years worked at his trade in Elizabethtown, Kentucky. In November, 1808, about three months before Abraham was born, Thomas evidently decided to try farming, for he purchased of William Bush, one of his Elizabethtown friends, a tract of land about fourteen miles from the town on which there was located a most famous spring. On this place Abraham Lincoln was born on February 12, 1809.

Just when Thomas Lincoln served his apprenticeship as a cabinet-maker is not known, but by the time he was twenty-one years of age he was doing rough carpentry. He had steady employment at Elizabethtown, where he was employed in building a mill dam as early as 1797. For the next four or five years he seems to have been roaming about the country, spending a year with his Uncle Isaac in Tennessee and some time with his mother in Washington County, Kentucky.

By the year 1803 Thomas had acquired a piece of property near Elizabethtown where he lived with his mother, and here evidently he began to do odd jobs of cabinet-making as well as raising some stock on the two hundred forty acre tract of land he had acquired.

At some time during the early period of Thomas Lincoln's residence in Hardin County, some merchants operating under the name of Bleakley and Montgomery opened a store at Elizabethtown. Just how much of Thomas Lincoln's trading was done at this store is not known, but books then used by the company and now available reveal some interesting facts about the early vocation of Abraham Lincoln's father. It is to be regretted that all of the ledgers kept by the Bleakley and Montgomery store during the period the Lincolns lived in Kentucky have not been found. It is also to be lamented that in many instances the ledgers now available have not itemized the purchases evidently shown in the missing day books, and the entries merely appear in the ledgers under "Sundries".

On August 8, 1804, however, Thomas purchased "1 casteel saw" for which he paid the sum of eighteen shillings, a shilling then being worth about twenty cents. At other times during the year there are itemized, one plane bit at one shilling and six pence and one file at the same price. The majority of purchases, however, are marked "Sundries".

In February, 1805, Lincoln purchased another saw, this time paying but nine shillings for it, another file, and some brass rings which are also listed. About this time Thomas entered into a contract with Denton Geoghegan to get some logs for a mill. This was probably the biggest contract Lincoln had secured, and it was necessary for him to go to court to collect the contract price. The court found that Lincoln had completed his task in "a workman-like manner" and ordered Geoghegan to pay the bill and the court costs. In 1806 Thomas Lincoln was hired by Bleakley and Montgomery to go to New Orleans as a hand on a flatboat. As was usually the case in such contracts he was probably hired to help build the boat. Besides being paid sixteen pounds for going to New Orleans he also received from some source, at the same time, gold to the amount of thirteen pounds. This gold may have been

wages paid for building the boat. It is apparent that the New Orleans trip netted him twenty-nine pounds.

At Thomas McIntire's sale in 1807 he bought an old sword. This undoubtedly was made into a drawing knife to give him further equipment for the carpenter's chest. The Bleakley and Montgomery books indicate that he was still plying his trade at this time as sandpaper, screws, a gimlet and so on are listed. The following year he was also charged with items which were used in his business, and a credit of twelve shillings was made, indicated by the storekeepers as "Balance put to his credit of work done."

An old friend of the Lincoln family, Christopher Columbus Graham, who claims to have visited in the Lincoln home and to have known the family well, claims that "Tom Lincoln had the best set of carpenter's tools in Hardin County."

There are several pieces of cabinet-work still extant which Thomas is known to have done. A corner cupboard, now in possession of the Speed Museum at Louisville, has his initials inscribed in an obscure place within the cabinet, and there are other evidences of his handiwork preserved in Hardin County in the form of old mantles which he made.

His cabinet-work did not stop after he reached Indiana. Here as in Kentucky he was active in his profession. In the Ford collection at Dearborn is another old corner cupboard which was made by him for his neighbors, Josiah and Elizabeth Crawford, while residing in Spencer County, Indiana. Here, likewise, are many products of his talent, and there can be little doubt but that his work was much in demand in the pioneer settlements in which he lived.

William Woods, another neighbor of the Indiana Lincolns, made this statement in some reminiscences which he wrote on September 15, 1865: "Thomas Lincoln often and at various times worked for me, made cupboards, etc., and other household furniture for me; he built my house, made floors, ran up the stairs, did all the inside work for my house." It is also well known that Thomas was on the committee that superintended and helped to build the Pigeon Church where the Lincolns attended. The pulpit which was used for more than seventy-five years by the church was made by Thomas Lincoln.

Apparently Abraham Lincoln did not intend to follow the cabinet-makers' trade although he did engage in rough carpentry. The last task he completed in Indiana is told by a neighbor in these words, "Abe whipsawed, saw him cutting down a large tree one day: I asked him what he was going to do with it: he said he was going to saw it into planks for his father's new house—the house was not completed until after Lincoln left for Illinois. Abe sold his planks to Crawford—Josiah Crawford put the planks in his house."

Centuries ago there lived one known as "The Carpenter's Son" whose influence could not be circumscribed by the environs of a carpenter shop on the boundaries of a rural community. It is also true, with respect to the son of the Elizabethtown carpenter, that he too laid aside the tools of manual labor and matched his genius with the men of the open forum who were building a nation.

Family Values Desk Made by T. Lincoln

Piece Of Furniture Is Now
Owned By the Townsend
Taylors, New Carlisle

By FORREST FISCHER

Between 1816 and 1830 a farmer and trapper in Rockfort, Ind., supplemented his income by building cabinets and furniture.

His name was Thomas Lincoln, and as he worked tediously with his hands and tools to turn crude cherry wood into desks and cupboards his son, Abraham, watched and offered his help.

Three pieces of Thomas Lincoln's furniture are all that are known to exist. One of them, a secretary desk, is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Townsend Taylor of New Carlisle. One cupboard is in the Henry Ford Museum at Ft. Dearborn, Mich., and another cupboard is in the court house of Rockport, in Spencer county.

The story of the Taylors' desk since it left the workshop of Tom Lincoln early in the 19th century is an interesting one.

Rockport is the birthplace of Mr. Taylor, and his family seat. It was there Mr. Taylor's ancestors first obtained the desk and began passing it down from generation to generation.

Varied Uses

During its lifetime the desk has been used as book case for law books, as a cabinet to store the powders and equipment of a druggist, in the kitchen of a southern Indiana housewife who kept it well stocked with dishes and food, and it finally returned to its designated use as a desk kept carefully polished in the Taylor family at New Carlisle.

Mr. Taylor tells this story:

The first practicing doctor in Spencer county, a Dr. Crook, is charged to be the first owner of the desk after it was completed by Thomas Lincoln.

Dr. Cook used the desk for many years in his office as a writing table, but upon retiring passed the desk on to Judge Thomas DeBruler.

Judge DeBruler, a well-known attorney in southern Indiana at the time, and contemporary of Abraham Lincoln, who was practicing law in Springfield, Ill., was Mr. Taylor's great grandfather, according to the story.

The Judge used the tall cabinet of the desk in which to stack thick, dusty law books. He passed the desk on to Dr. A. D. Garlinghouse, a druggist and doctor in Rockport. Dr. Garlinghouse used the desk as a supply cabinet for medicants and prescriptions.

As Dr. Garlinghouse's practice grew and he enlarged his office quarters he moved the desk to his residence in Rockport. There his wife, the former ~~Taylor~~, placed the desk on a screened-in kitchen-porch to use for the storage of food dishes and kitchen utensils.

Gave It

According to Mr. Taylor, the Garlinghouses were his grandparents on his mother's side. They donated the desk to Mr. and Mrs. Taylor.

Although its exact age is not known it is well over 100 years old. The Taylors have received offers from several Lincoln collectors, including the Ford museum, to buy the desk. The Ford museum bought one of the pieces for \$18,000 several years ago.

The Taylors, however, vow that they will never sell the desk. Although it is not pretty it is the symbol of early American life and struggle.

The desk stands about eight feet high from the floor to the top of the cabinet section. The cabinet section is designed as a book case and is enclosed by two glass doors.

The desk compartments for letters and writing material are concealed under the desk top which raises up on hinges. There are no drawers in the desk. It is made of solid cherry wood which has never been painted or varnished, the Taylors claim.

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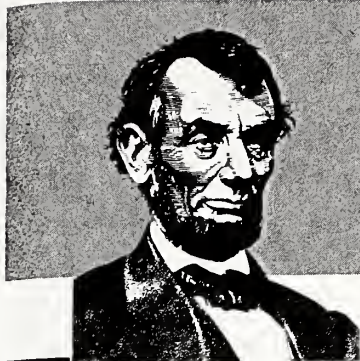
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THOMAS LINCOLN'S CORNER CUPBOARDS

Cabinet making was one of Thomas Lincoln's sources of income and the production of corner cupboards seemed to have been his specialty. Pertinent facts supporting the claim that Thomas Lincoln was a carpenter and cabinetmaker are to be found in *Lincoln Lore*, Number 503, February 6, 1939, entitled, "The Elizabethtown Carpenter."

Eight Thomas Lincoln corner cupboards are known to be extant:

- I. The Lincoln-Cowley-Viers-Garner cupboard of cherry wood owned by R. Gerald McMurtry of Fort Wayne, Indiana.
- II. The Decker-Kenneday-Crawford cupboard of cherry wood owned by Miss Minnie Patterson of Elizabethtown, Kentucky.
- III. The Turnham-Johnson cupboard of walnut wood in the Evansville, Indiana, Public Museum.
- IV. The Dever cupboard of walnut wood bearing Thomas Lincoln's initials and date of construction in the Speed Museum of Louisville, Kentucky.
- V. The Crawford-Meece-Brown cupboard of walnut wood with the initials "E. C." on the door in the Rockport, Indiana courthouse museum.
- VI. The Crawford-Jennings-Cryderman cupboard of walnut wood now in the Ford Museum of Dearborn, Michigan.
- VII. The Reuben Grigsby-Helverson cupboard of cherry wood owned by Mrs. Gertrude E. Smith Savage Helverson of Mount Vernon, Illinois.
- VIII. The Aaron Grigsby-Wetherill cupboard of walnut wood owned by the William L. Clements Library, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

In addition to the eight corner cupboards there are several other pieces of cabinet work still extant in Kentucky, Indiana and possibly Illinois, which Thomas Lincoln is known to have constructed. These include cherry spool beds, mantelpieces, desks, bookcases, chests and sideboards.

The father of the sixteenth president was said to have owned one of the best sets of carpenter's tools in Hardin County, Kentucky. This fact is borne out, to some extent, by Thomas' purchases at the Bleakley and Montgomery store in Elizabethtown, Kentucky. On August 1, 1804 he purchased "1 casteel saw" for which he paid the sum of eighteen shillings (one shilling was then worth about twenty cents). At another time during the year 1804 Lincoln bought one plane bit (one shilling and sixpence) and one file at the same price. In February, 1805 Lincoln purchased a saw for nine shillings and another file. At Thomas Mc Intire's sale in 1807 he bought an old sword which he may have converted into a drawing knife. Other Bleakley and Montgomery ledger records indicate that this Elizabethtown cabinetmaker purchased sandpaper, screws and a gimlet.

Unlike most pioneer cabinetmakers Thomas Lincoln had some artistic idiosyncrasies. He was particularly fond of an inlaid pattern known as "star and streamer" and he also employed the "hole and tooth" design on some of his cupboards. While cabinetmakers would invariably apply their inlays to the cabinet proper, Tom Lincoln, except in one instance, attached inlaid strips to the



The Lincoln-Cowley-Viers-Garner corner cupboard owned by R. Gerald McMurtry of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

cupboard facings. In fact, this idiosyncrasy in some cases has enabled collectors to identify the work of this pioneer cabinetmaker.

Inlaid strips of the "star and streamer" design appear on the cupboards designated I, II, (with distinct variations), III and V (not on strips but on the jamb facings). The "hole and tooth" design appears on cupboards I, II, III, V, and VI. So far as this writer knows, and an extensive search has been made, only Thomas Lincoln of all the pioneer cabinetmakers, attached the inlaid strips to his corner cupboard facings. Perhaps, a cabinetmaker's skill can best be determined by his inlay and if this is the case, Thomas Lincoln excelled in his profession.

Several of Thomas Lincoln's corner cupboards have been carefully examined to determine the degree of his workmanship. While all of the cupboards examined reveal the use of pioneer tools, which precludes rough details in the interior of the cabinets, the exteriors of the products are finely wrought. Thomas Lincoln used no nails (except the Crawford-Jennings-Cryderman cupboard is said to have in its interior construction handmade



The Decker Kenneday-Crawford corner cupboard owned by Miss Minnie Patterson of Elizabethtown, Kentucky.



The Turnham-Johnson corner cupboard owned by the Evansville Public Museum.

wrought-iron nails) in his furniture and his use of wooden pegs added to the attractiveness of these historic antiques.

I

There is a remote possibility that the Lincoln-Cowley-Viers-Garner cupboard of cherry wood was used in the Lincoln household. While affidavits must be taken for what they are worth, there is a tradition properly notarized that the Lincoln's owned this cupboard while residing at Knob Creek (now Larue County) in Kentucky.

The legend persists in the Mill Creek (Hardin County) country that the Lincolns traveled to Indiana in the late fall of 1816 by horse and wagon. Enroute to Indiana, by way of Mill Creek, while fording one of the swollen streams, the cupboard toppled out of the wagon into the creek and was abandoned. After the flood subsided the cupboard was taken from the creek and became the property of John T. Cowley. Later the cupboard was sold at the Cowley sale to Mrs. Martha Viers for fifty cents. Mrs. Viers then gave the piece of furniture to Mrs. Amos Garner, and it was from Mrs. Garner that the writer purchased this antique on August 23, 1938.

This cupboard is beautifully constructed. The interior is made of wide poplar boards and the front is skillfully decorated with the "hole and tooth" inlay as well as the strips with the "star and streamer" design.

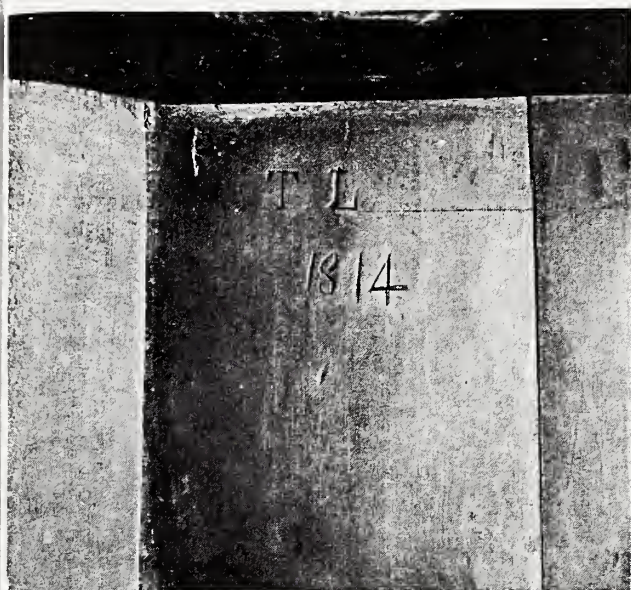
II

The Decker-Kenneday-Crawford cupboard of cherry wood is owned by Miss Minnie Patterson of Elizabethtown, Kentucky. The history of this cupboard reveals that it was made by Thomas Lincoln while he resided in Elizabethtown, Kentucky, about 1807 or 1808 (these dates appear in the affidavit). The affidavit dated August 4, 1945 and signed by Misses Sallie G. Hart and Maggie C. Hart follows in part:

"Affiants say that they are daughters of the late John Hart, who moved to a farm on Youngers Creek in Hardin County, a year or two prior to 1860; that the Decker Kenneday family then resided in the immediate vicinity of the farm of their father and the two families became intimately acquainted with each other; that they heard their father and mother state on several occasions that the cherry corner



The Dever corner cupboard owned by The J. B. Speed Memorial Museum of Louisville, Kentucky.



The initials of Thomas Lincoln along with the date of construction of the Dever corner cupboard owned by The J. B. Speed Memorial Museum of Louisville, Kentucky.

cupboard then in the possession of the Decker Kenneday family was made by Thomas Lincoln while he resided in Elizabethtown; that Mollie Kenneday, and other members of the Decker Kenneday family have told affiants that said cupboard had been in the family for many years and was made by Thomas Lincoln.

"Affiants further state that when the Kenneday family moved from said farm the said corner cupboard was left in the house which was immediately thereafter occupied by John Crawford, who now resides on the Bardstown Road about six miles north of Elizabethtown, that Minnie Patterson purchased said cupboard from said John Crawford."

This cupboard has been beautifully refinished and in its decoration Thomas Lincoln embodied an interesting carved design across the top front and sides. Again, in the construction of this cupboard he employed the strips on the jamb facings, although they were carved instead of inlaid. However, he did use at the top of the strips a variation of the "star" inlay. Two drawers add to the attractiveness of this cupboard.

III

The Turnham-Johnson cupboard of walnut wood in the Evansville, Indiana, Public Museum is almost identical in construction to the Lincoln-Cowley-Viers-Garner cupboard. Both cabinets have the identical inlaid designs. This cupboard was made by Thomas Lincoln for David Turnham, who always insisted that young Abraham helped in its construction.

According to relatives of Turnham the walnut lumber used in the construction of this cupboard was cut on the Turnham farm. This cupboard was never out of the hands of the Turnham family until it was placed in the Evansville Public Museum.

IV

The Dever cupboard of walnut in the Speed Museum of Louisville, Kentucky is perhaps the best identified of all of Thomas Lincoln's cabinet work. This cupboard bears Thomas Lincoln's initials and the date of its construction. It was secured for the J. B. Speed Memorial Museum from J. O. Dever of Summit, Hardin County, Kentucky, whose family owned it over a century. Four affidavits certify its authenticity, and the fact that Dever's grandfather came into possession of it in 1830.

The black walnut wood is put together with pegs. Both the main portion above and the hutch below have double doors (which is true of all the eight cupboards) and the doors are panelled. On this cupboard a line decoration extends across the top and down either side of the

upper portion. Inside the upper part of the cabinet the initials T. L. and the date 1814 are carved.

V

The Crawford-Meece-Brown cupboard of walnut wood with the initials "E. C." (Elizabeth Crawford) on the door is in the Rockport, Indiana courthouse museum. This cupboard was first described by Ida M. Tarbell in an article entitled "Lincoln's Second Mother," *The Boston Globe*, April 22, 1923. The same statement also appeared in Miss Tarbell's "In The Footsteps Of The Lincolns," Harper & Brothers, 1924, pages 132-133.

This cupboard was first exhibited in 1921 when Charles Brown placed it in the Rockport courthouse. He purchased it from a Mrs. Meece, a granddaughter of Josiah Crawford, and was informed that the cupboard was the work of Thomas Lincoln. While there is some confusion in regard to the authenticity of this cupboard (Thomas Summers an uncle of Mrs. Crawford may have assisted Thomas Lincoln in its construction) it has all the earmarks of the president's father's handiwork. The "streamer" inlay falls directly below the "star" and the design, unlike the others, is directly on the door jambs and not on strips. The "hole and tooth" design appears on the top cornice.

VI

The Crawford-Jennings-Cryderman cupboard of walnut wood has received wide publicity. Unfortunately the cabinet work has often been erroneously identified as that of Abraham Lincoln's. Apparently the cupboard was made by Thomas Lincoln for Josiah and Elizabeth Crawford. Upon the death of the Crawfords the cupboard became the property of their daughter, Mrs. Ruth Crawford Jennings, Spencer County, Indiana. Mrs. Jennings sold the cupboard to her son, Samuel Hatzel Jennings of Rockport, Indiana. In 1918 the cupboard was purchased from the Jennings' estate by his daughter, Mrs. Maude Jennings Cryderman, a great-granddaughter of Josiah and Elizabeth Crawford.

In February 1919, on the occasion of President Lincoln's 110th birthday anniversary, the cupboard was shipped by special request to the National Old Soldiers Home at Satelle, California. From the Old Soldiers Home, where



The Crawford-Jennings-Cryderman corner cupboard owned by The Edison Institute of Dearborn, Michigan.

it was exhibited, the cupboard was sent to Los Angeles and placed on exhibition in the Historical Room of the Museum of History, Science and Art.

The cupboard is described as being made of "solid native walnut." "It stands seven feet high and weighs over three hundred pounds . . . There are two sets of doors (four in all) which are nicely panelled and there is a strip of hand carving (hole with tooth inlay) across the front of the cupboard above the upper set of doors. The entire front is put together with walnut pegs while the back is fastened with hand-made wrought-iron nails. Old fashioned brass hinges support the doors." Along the upper sides of the cupboard is some handsome carving which greatly enhance the beauty of this piece of furniture.

This cupboard is now permanently exhibited in the Edison Institute at Dearborn, Michigan. While Ford representatives have not disclosed the purchase price (purchased in 1932 or 1933) the figure mentioned most often is \$25,000.

VII

The Reuben Grigsby-Helverson corner cupboard of cherry wood, with only a cornice decoration, is owned by Mrs. Gertrude E. (Smith) Savage Helverson of Mount Vernon, Illinois. Her son, writing from Mount Vernon, Illinois, on October 5, 1945 made the following statement: "My mother's grandmother was a sister to Aaron Grigsby who, of course, married Sarah Lincoln. Thomas Lincoln worked for Reuben Grigsby, father of Aaron, and during this period constructed two corner cupboards. One of these was given to Sarah Lincoln and Aaron Grigsby to start housekeeping . . . The other was for the use of Reuben Grigsby and his family, which cupboard has been handed down until now my mother has it in her possession.

"We have affidavits to this effect from persons most likely to know in the area of Spencer County, Indiana, where Abraham Lincoln spent his boyhood. These affidavits are nine in number (in 1960 eleven affidavits are introduced as evidence) and they range in age from 50 to 78, the majority being in the neighborhood of 70 years of age. In addition, my mother has prepared a separate affidavit setting the facts out as she knows them."

The cabinet is described as being "constructed in Spencer County, Indiana, and is approximately seven feet in height and has a triangular back which will allow it to fit into any corner, as was common in the times in which it was built." In August 1960 the cupboard was still available for sale at the price of \$10,000 which the owner believed to be reasonable for a relic so valuable.

VIII

The Aaron Grigsby-Wetherill corner cupboard is now in the possession of the William L. Clements Library, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. This is the cupboard mentioned in the Helverson statement (No. VII). The provenance of this cupboard reveals that it passed from Aaron Grigsby to R. D. Wetherill, a son-in-law, and in turn to his son, George Wetherill. It was purchased from George of Boonville, Indiana, in 1931 or 1932 by an antique dealer. After the death of the antique dealer (name unknown) the cupboard was acquired by an Ann Arbor man who gave it to the University of Michigan in 1949 and it was moved to the Clements Library.

The cupboard is made of walnut wood. The workmanship is rather crude and it is in poor condition. It is without trim and has two solid doors above, a single drawer, and two smaller drawers below. This construction may have been the result of a special request by either Aaron or Sarah Grigsby. No photographs of this cupboard are obtainable, and a minute description of its characteristics is not available.

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Book, cloth, 6" x 9 1/4", 112 pp., fr., illus., price \$2.95.

DORRIS, JONATHAN T.

1960-60

The Treatment of Confederates/by Lincoln, Johnson and/Congress, 1861-1898/by Jonathan T. Dorris/Reprinted from three numbers of the Lincoln Herald, 1959-60/edited by Dr. Wayne C. Temple of Lincoln Memorial University/(Cover title).

Pamphlet, paper, 7" x 10", 32 pp.

HAYES, MELVIN L.

1960-61

Mr. Lincoln/Runs for President/To The Polls Ye Sons Of Freedom/by Melvin L. Hayes/The Citadel Press, New York.

Book, cloth, 5 1/2" x 8 1/2", 352 pp., illus., price \$5.00.

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1960-62

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Book, cloth, 6" x 9 1/4", xvi p., 193 pp., fr., illus.

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1960-63

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McCLURE, STANLEY

1960-64

The/Lincoln Museum/and the/House Where Lincoln Died/Washington, D. C./by Stanley W. McClure/(drawing showing axe splitting log)/National Park Service Historical Handbook Series No. 2/Washington, D. C., 1949/(Revised 1960).

Pamphlet, flexible boards, 6" x 9", 42 pp., fr., illus., price 25¢.

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Book, cloth, 6 1/2" x 9 1/2", 519 pp. 525 copies specially bound, boxed and signed. 200 for sale, price \$10.00.

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STERN, PHILIP VAN DOREN

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TEMPLE, WAYNE C.

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FURNITURE MADE BY THOMAS LINCOLN

In *Lincoln Lore*, Number 1476, February 1961, the corner cupboards made by President Abraham Lincoln's father were described at some length. The third paragraph of that article stated that "there are several . . . pieces of cabinet work still extant in Kentucky, Indiana and possibly Illinois, which Thomas Lincoln is known to have constructed. These include cherry spool beds, mantelpieces, desks, bookcases, chests and sideboards." This issue of *Lincoln Lore* will feature some of these miscellaneous products of Thomas Lincoln's workshop.

Another issue of *Lincoln Lore*, Number 513, has related in some detail how Lincoln worked as a carpenter between the years 1803 and 1809. In fact, there is a well authenticated tradition that the President's father owned the best set of carpenter tools in Hardin county. Exactly when Thomas Lincoln served his apprenticeship as a carpenter and cabinetmaker is not known, but by the time he became of age he was doing rough carpentry and making plain furniture.

It may be a reasonable supposition that Thomas Lincoln learned his trade in the shop of the Reverend Jesse Head. This was the Methodist minister who performed the marriage ceremony uniting Nancy Hanks and Thomas Lincoln on June 12, 1806. When Thomas Lincoln lived with his widowed mother in Washington County, Kentucky, one of his neighbors was Jesse Head whose fifty acre farm on Read Run, some distance from the county seat town of Springfield, was located in "the midst of the Lincolns and Berrys . . ." Jesse Head was born on June 10, 1768, in Frederick County, Maryland and was some eight years older than Thomas Lincoln.

This energetic pioneer was constantly engaged in cabinetmaking, in deposition taking and in preaching. As recognition of his skill as a cabinetmaker increased, he eventually moved his shop to Springfield. Jesse Head became sufficiently established as a cabinetmaker to have three orphan boys apprenticed to him. One record reveals that on November 7, 1797, David Redmond, the orphan of Alexander Redmond, was bound to Jesse Head to learn the art of a cabinetmaker. The boy was to remain with

Head for three and one-half years, and at the end of his apprenticeship he would receive from the master craftsman a joiner, foreplane, jack and smoothing plane.

An interesting court order dated May 9, 1809 stipulates "that Jesse Head be and he is hereby appointed to make and hang shutters to the lower windows in the Court House."

A small mahogany bureau measuring 18" x 24", the product of Jesse Head's cabinetmaking shop, is today extant. It was made in 1836 for the uncle of Mrs. M. E. Sharp (1921) of Mercer County, Kentucky.

This information, documentary and otherwise, fairly well established Jesse Head as a cabinetmaker; and the fact that Thomas Lincoln lived in Washington County and was for awhile (Fall of 1786 to the turn of the century) a close neighbor of Jesse Head, would provide him with ample time and opportunity to learn the trade of a carpenter and cabinetmaker.

The following pieces of Lincoln furniture, exclusive of cupboards, are known to be extant and are listed here as examples of Thomas Lincoln's handiwork:



From the Lincoln National Life Foundation
Cherry hutch made by Thomas Lincoln for Richard Vernon about the year 1807. Now owned by Mrs. L. B. Hoke of Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

AUCTION

TUESDAY, MAY 24, 1:30 p. m.

Antiques, Furniture, China, Silverware

We have contracted with the McCullum Realty Co. to sell all of personal property of the late Mary E. Sweets at her home located at 212 Mulberry Street, Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

One Cherry Day Bed

One of the finer pieces we will sell is a Cherry Day Bed which was made by Thomas Lincoln, father of Abraham Lincoln, authenticity supported by original affidavit executed by Mrs. Emma Churchill, granddaughter of Richard Vernon for whom the bed was originally made by the said Thomas Lincoln.

Antiques

Love Seat with two chairs to match, pair figurines, clock, China, candelabra, fruit bowl, vases, water service with 2 goblets, walnut table, spinning wheel, china, glass, and other small items.

Furniture

Desk, 3 dressers, chest of drawers, 2 rockers, day bed, hall tree, 2 wash stands, 2 beds, 2 book cases, vanity dresser, 8 large rugs, radio, electric refrigerator, lamp, dining room suite, breakfast table, coal range, kitchen cabinet, china cabinet, china, silverware (sterling), walnut table, 2 swings, 2 mirrors, divan, lawn chairs, washing machine, picture frames, number of chairs, dunks, and many small items not mentioned.

First-Hardin National Bank,
Exec. of Mary E. Sweets

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Phone 4232 Elizabethtown, Ky.
"We Have Sold in 24 States and Canada"

From the Lincoln National Life Foundation
Advertisement poster of Mary E. Sweets' sale announcing that the cherry day bed made by Thomas Lincoln will be sold at auction on May 24, 1949.

1. Cherry Hutch
Owned by Mrs. L. B. Hoke, Elizabethtown, Kentucky.
2. Cherry Day Bed
Owned by Mr. Howes Mead, Paintsville, Kentucky.
3. Cherry Sugar Chest
Owned by J. S. McMurtry, Lawrenceburg, Kentucky.
4. Pine Mantlepiece
Exhibited in the Lincoln Room of the Armor Center Officer's Open Mess, Fort Knox, Kentucky.
5. Cherry Desk and Bookcase
Owned by Mr. and Mrs. Townsend Taylor, South Bend, Indiana.
6. Cherry Chest of Drawers
Owned by Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois.

Affidavits or descriptive information concerning the individual pieces of Thomas Lincoln's cabinetwork follow:

1. Cherry Hutch

Affidavit

"Mrs. Emma Churchill, being duly sworn, states that her grandfather, Richard Vernon, lived near Elizabethtown in Hardin County, Kentucky, and that he had Thomas Lincoln, the father of Abraham Lincoln, who was also living near Elizabethtown and working at his trade as carpenter, cabinet maker and wheelwright, make several pieces of furniture for him.

"She states that the said Thomas Lincoln made a cherry chest or side-

board for her grandfather. She well remembers seeing this piece of furniture in her grandfather's home and later in the home of her aunt, Mrs. Lou Vernon Dodge.

"Her grandfather, Richard Vernon, told her that Thomas Lincoln made said furniture about the year 1807 and he kept it in his own home until his death when it became the property of his daughter, Mrs. Lou Vernon Dodge, who owned it until her death in the year 1908. When the furniture of Mrs. Lou Vernon Dodge was sold at public auction just following her death this chest was purchased by Mrs. Bettie J. Martin of Elizabethtown, Ky. who has had it in her possession ever since that time.

"Mrs. Churchill further states that she can positively identify the chest as the same piece which was owned in her family for two generations and later by Mrs. Bettie J. Martin as the same piece which her grandfather told her was made by Thomas Lincoln (more than a hundred years ago) and that she knows said piece of furniture has never been out of the possession and ownership of the three parties named herein.

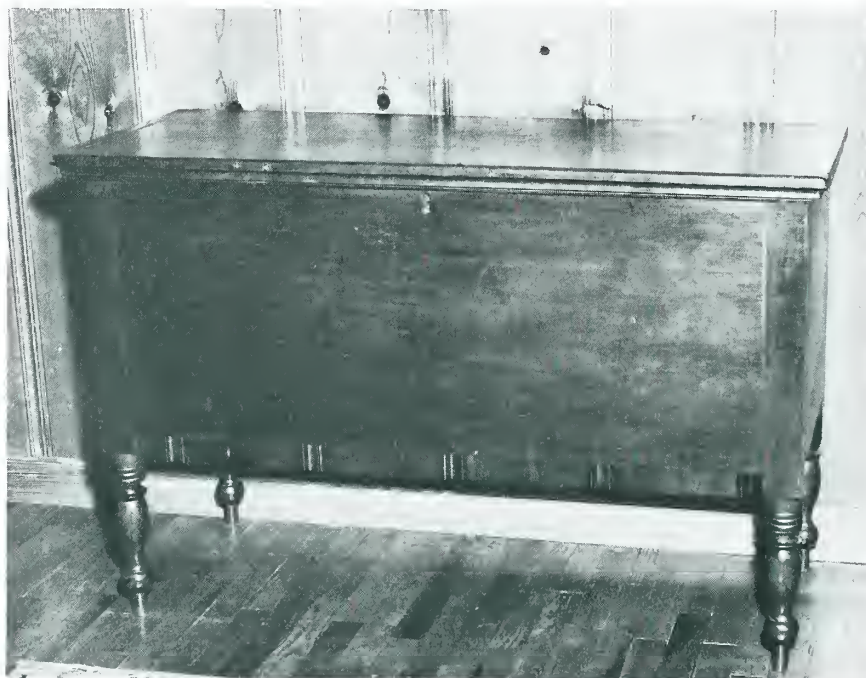
Signed: *Mrs. Emma Churchill*

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Mrs. Emma Churchill this October 17, 1927.

Signed: *L. K. English*

Notary Public Hardin County, Ky.
My commission expires Feby. 19, 1928"

Mrs. Emma Churchill was the wife of Virgil H. Churchill who, for many years, conducted a jewelry store in Elizabethtown. The family lived on Main Cross Street (now West Dixie Avenue), moved away for some years, returning later to reside on College



From the Lincoln National Life Foundation
Cherry sugar chest owned by J. S. McMurtry, Lawrenceburg, Kentucky, said to have been made by Thomas Lincoln for Mrs. Samuel Haycraft, Sr. of Elizabethtown, Kentucky in 1796 or 1797.

Street, where Mrs. Churchill died. Her aunt, Mrs. Lou Dodge, mentioned in the affidavit, lived in a large residence on West Dixie Avenue, now owned by Mrs. R. V. Wathen. Mrs. Bettie Martin was the mother of Miss Maggie Martin and Mrs. Lawrence Richardson, whose property and household effects were sold on May 19, 1960. At this public auction the cherry hutch was sold to Mrs. L. B. Hoke for \$700.

2. Cherry Day Bed

Another piece of furniture made by Thomas Lincoln for Richard Vernon was a cherry day bed, which was sold at public auction in Elizabethtown, Kentucky, on May 24, 1949. The bed was the property of the late Mary E. Sweets who resided at 212 Mulberry Street. Mr. Howes Meade of Paintsville, Kentucky bought this piece of furniture, the authenticity of which was attested by an affidavit executed by Mrs. Emma Churchill and similar in statement to the one regarding the cherry hutch.

3. Cherry Sugar Chest.

The cherry sugar chest owned by J. S. McMurtry of Lawrenceburg, Kentucky is said to have been made by Thomas Lincoln in 1796 or 1797 for the owner's great-great-grandmother, Margaret, the wife of Samuel Haycraft, Sr. An affidavit affirming the historical authenticity of the sugar chest follows:

Affidavit

"I, Joseph S. McMurtry, hereby certify that I was told by my father, G. E. McMurtry, who was in turn told by his mother, Sarah Maria McMurtry, the daughter of Samuel Haycraft, Jr., the son of Samuel Haycraft, Sr., that this cherry sugar chest was



From the Lincoln National Life Foundation

Mantelpiece made by Thomas Lincoln in the Lincoln Room of the Armor Center Officer's Open Mess, at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

made for his wife Margaret Van Meter Haycraft during the winter of 1796-1797 at which time Thomas Lincoln was employed by the said Samuel Haycraft, Sr., as a millwright at Haycraft's grist mill at Elizabethtown, Ky.

Signed: J. S. McMurtry

Joseph S. McMurtry

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of April 1963.

Signed: S. McWilliams, Jr.

Notary Public

My commission expires January 9, 1964."

4. Mantelpiece

The mantelpiece (probably made of pine wood) in the Lincoln Room of the Armor Center Officer's Open Mess at Fort Knox, Kentucky, was taken from a house about one mile north (U.S. 31 W) of Elizabethtown, Kentucky, which was built in 1805 and was originally owned by Hardin Thomas. Samuel Haycraft, Jr., in his book "A History of Elizabethtown, Kentucky And Its Surroundings" written in 1869, made the statement that "He (Hardin Thomas) lived in a house rather better than usual for that day, the carpenter's work of which was executed by Thomas Lincoln, the father of the late President; and the most of that work is to be seen at this day, sound as a trout, although done upwards of sixty years ago." The Hardin Thomas house is still standing and is located on the farm of Heady Jenkins, the Elizabethtown Postmaster.

In the fall of 1919, when Camp

Knox was under construction, Major William Radcliffe, a construction quartermaster, lived with his family for a time in Elizabethtown in the home of Mrs. J. F. Albert, a great-granddaughter of Hardin Thomas. From Mrs. Albert, Major Radcliffe learned of the Hardin Thomas house, and from Mr. B. F. Jenkins he secured for the United States Government the Thomas Lincoln mantelpiece. It was then installed in a building called "The Hostess House" at the army post.

After World War I the post was deactivated. Later on, a civilian who lived on the edge of the reservation thought the mantelpiece was in danger of being destroyed and had it removed from "The Hostess House" which had later become a Station Hospital. Without the authority of the United States Government, the mantelpiece was offered first to the Woman's Club at Elizabethtown on condition that it be installed in the Brown-Pusey Community House. However, Dr. William Allen Pusey, the donor of the community building, declined to let the mantelpiece be installed.

The relic was then offered to the Kentucky Pioneer Memorial Association of Harrodsburg, Kentucky, which readily accepted it. However, while the mantelpiece was on display it was not incorporated in the building known as the Mansion Museum, but was attached to the wall adjoining the Music Room.

In 1934, when the army post was again reactivated, a new Officers' Club was built and Col. J. P. Barney, who

was in command at Fort Knox, learned of the mantelpiece, possibly through construction quartermaster records. He took immediate steps to recover the mantelpiece and his claim to it could not be denied since government money had originally purchased it. Therefore, the mantelpiece came home to Fort Knox and now has a place of honor in what is known as "The Lincoln Room" of the Officer's Mess.

5. Cherry Desk and Bookcase

The cherry desk-bookcase owned by Mr. and Mrs. Townsend Taylor is best described by Forrest Fischer in the *LaPorte Herald-Argus* of April 4, 1949. At the time the article was written the Taylors resided at New Carlisle, Indiana. They are now residents of South Bend, Indiana. A portion of the newspaper article follows:

"Between 1816 and 1830 a farmer and trapper in Rockport, Ind., supplemented his income by building cabinets and furniture.

"His name was Thomas Lincoln, and as he worked tediously with his hands and tools to turn crude cherry wood into desks and cupboards his son, Abraham, watched and offered his help.

"The story of the Taylors' desk since it left the workshop of Tom Lincoln early in the 19th century is an interesting one.

"Rockport is the birthplace of Mr. Taylor, and his family seat. It was there Mr. Taylor's ancestors first obtained the desk and began passing it down from generation to generation.

"During its lifetime the desk has been used as a book case for law books, as a cabinet to store the powders and equipment of a druggist, in



From the Lincoln National Life Foundation

Cherry desk and bookcase made by Thomas Lincoln and exhibited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Townsend Taylor of South Bend, Indiana.

the kitchen of a southern Indiana housewife who kept it well stocked with dishes and food, and it finally returned to its designated use as a desk kept carefully polished in the Taylor family at New Carlisle.

"Mr. Taylor tells this story:

"The first practicing doctor in Spencer county, a Dr. Crook, is charged to be the first owner of the desk after it was completed by Thomas Lincoln.

"Dr. Crook used the desk for many years in his office as a writing table, but upon retiring passed the desk on to Judge Thomas DeBruler.

"Judge DeBruler, a well-known attorney in southern Indiana at the time, and a contemporary of Abraham Lincoln, who was practicing law in Springfield, Ill., was Mr. Taylor's great grandfather, according to the story.

"The Judge used the tall cabinet of the desk in which to stack thick, dusty law books. He passed the desk on to Dr. A. D. Garlinghouse, a druggist and doctor in Rockport. Dr. Garlinghouse used the desk as a supply cabinet for medicants and prescriptions.

"As Dr. Garlinghouse's practice grew and he enlarged his office quarters he moved the desk to his residence in Rockport. There his wife, the former . . . Taylor, placed the desk on a screened-in kitchen-porch to use for the storage of food dishes and kitchen utensils.

"According to Mr. Taylor, the Garlinghouses were his grandparents on his mother's side. They donated the desk to Mr. and Mrs. Taylor.

"Although its exact age is not known it is well over 100 years old. The Taylors have received offers from several Lincoln collectors, including the Ford museum, to buy the desk.

"The Taylors, however, vow that they will never sell the desk. Although it is not pretty it is the symbol of early American life and struggle.

"The desk stands about eight feet high from the floor to the top of the cabinet section. The cabinet section is designed as a book case and is enclosed by two glass doors.

"The desk compartments for letters and writing materials are concealed under the desk top which raises up on hinges. There are no drawers in the desk. It is made of solid cherry wood which has never been painted or varnished, the Taylors claim."

6. Cherry Chest of Drawers

The inlaid cherry chest of drawers is without a doubt the most beautiful of all the Thomas Lincoln furniture described in this article. It is now the property of Southern Illinois University, a gift of Philip D. Sang of Chicago, Illinois.

The chest was made by Thomas Lincoln for the Austin family of

Hardin County, Kentucky and later became the property of the Harbolts and Atchers, all of whom are well known families living in the vicinity of Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

An affidavit attesting to its origin follows:

Affidavit

"Mrs. Crit Atcher, being duly sworn, states that according to statements made by the several members of the Atcher family, a cherry, five drawer, inlaid chest of drawers now owned by Bell Smoot of Elizabethtown, Kentucky, was made by Thomas Lincoln, father of Abraham Lincoln.

"She further states that according to the statements of the family that the chest was made by Thomas Lincoln for the Austin family. It descended to the Harbolt family and later to the Atcher family who sold it to the present owner, Bell Smoot.

"Mrs. Atcher states that she can identify the chest as the same one sold to Bell Smoot and that the chest has never been out of the ownership and possession of the three families named in the affidavit.

Signed: *Clara Atcher*

May 29, 1960

State of Kentucky
County of Hardin

Subscribed and sworn to before me a Notary Public for the county and State above written.

Signed: *Joe G. Gafford*
Notary Public

My commission expires Dec. 31, 1962."

Mr. Bell Smoot who purchased the chest of drawers had the piece in his possession about forty years before securing the above affidavit. During the entire period that he owned it he was under the impression that the chest had been made by Thomas Lincoln.

There are several other miscellaneous pieces of furniture in Kentucky and Indiana that were made by Thomas Lincoln, but at this late date all the records concerning them have been lost. In fact, the editor knows of several so-called pieces of Thomas Lincoln furniture in Kentucky that have all the earmarks of being genuine, but because they lack authentication they cannot be included in this study.



From the Lincoln National Life Foundation

Inlaid cherry chest of drawers made by Thomas Lincoln and exhibited at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois.

Bits and Pieces of Hardin County History

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ODYSSEY OF THE THOMAS LINCOLN MANTEL

"He (Hardin Thomas) lived in a house, the joiner's work of which was done by Thomas Lincoln, father of the President." So wrote Samuel Haycraft, Jr., in 1869 in his History of Elizabethtown. It has been established that Thomas Lincoln, about 1805 made the mantels, stairways, door sills and window facings of the larger of the adjoining houses of the Hardin Thomas home.

Interest in the ancient double log house was manifested long before it was restored as the Lincoln Heritage House in Freeman Lake Park, Elizabethtown, Ky. Long before there was a Hardin County Historical Society, there was correspondence which tells the story of the Lincoln mantel.

About 1919 Major William Radcliffe, Constructing Quartermaster at the then Camp Knox in Hardin County, lived in the home of Mrs. J. F. Albert of Elizabethtown as there were no quarters at the post. Mrs. Albert was the great granddaughter of Hardin Thomas. She told Major Radcliffe that, among other joiner's work, Thomas Lincoln had made a large mantel piece for the Thomas's living room. She also told him that the property, at that time, was owned by Mrs. A. H. Jenkins. Major Radcliffe contacted Mrs. Jenkins, purchased the mantel for the United States Government and had it beautifully refinished. In the fall of 1919, he installed the mantel in the Hostess House at Camp Knox.

In about 1924, the army post was deactivated and some doubt existed as to the future of the buildings. A historically minded lady, Mrs. Dickson, who lived at Tip Top on the edge of the reservation, was concerned that the mantel might be destroyed. She suggested that the Woman's Club of Elizabethtown acquire it and place it in the Brown-Pusey Community House but Dr. W. A. Pusey refused his permission. Mrs. Dickson then wrote the Kentucky Pioneer Memorial Association at Harrodsburg, Kentucky, whose director was happy to give the mantel a home.

In 1932 the army post was again activated, named Fort Knox and a new officers' club was built. Col. J. P. Barney learned of the mantel and tracked it down. A copy of his letter to James L. Isenberg, Director of the Kentucky Pioneer Memorial Association, relating the history and disposition of the mantel and requesting its return is in the HCHS files. The mantel was not returned without a fight but in the end it was returned to its rightful owner, the U. S. government. The mantel presently adorns the library of the Fort Knox Officers' Club.

G.W.

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TIDBITSROSEBERRY AND THURSTON FAMILIES

The following information was submitted by Richard D. Gloor, 4843 Blackhorse Road, Rancho Palos Verdes, Ca. 90274

Charles ROSEBERRY b. Va. 24 Aug 1779 m. 22 Sep 1803 Fayette Co., Ky. Nancy Thurston, dau. of Ezekiel THURSTON and Christina TALBOT. Nancy b. Va. 1 Jan 1774/84. They lived in Shelby Co., Ky. in 1820's and in Hardin Co., Ky. in 1830's. They had 5 children.

1. An unnamed daughter b. c1804.
2. Pauline b. c1810/12. She may have married Isaac DAY 10 Jan 1842 in Daviess Co.
3. William Harvey b. 11 Aug 1808 m. 5 May 1831 Shelby Co., Ky. Mary Ann WISE. Lived in Hardin Co. in 1830's.
4. Meekee Elsa b. c1818 m. 5/8 Nov 1832 Shelby Co., Ky. Fielding B. COOK.
5. Frances b. 1810/20 m. 17 Feb 1836 Hardin Co. Hardin DITTO.

Charles and Nancy owned property and were in the 1850 Census in Ohio Co., Ky. They may have moved to Daviess Co. in their final years.

Seth THURSTON and Mary were probably married in Virginia. They had 5 sons.

1. Seth, Jr. m. Mary ____? Hardin Co. Wills Seth 1843, Mary 1849.
2. Ezekiel m. Christiana TALBOT. Their dau. Nancy m. 24 Sep 1803 Fayette Col, Ky. Charles ROSEBERRY. Their dau. Fannie m. 21 May 1817 Shelby Co., Ky. Ezekiel KENNEDY. Ezekiel's will 1834 in Jefferson Co., Ky.
3. Leonard m. 15 Dec 1815 Shelby Co., Ky. Rachel SCOTT.
4. Plummer b. 8 Feb 1749 m. 19 Jun 1777 Mary TALBOT. His will 1814 Shelby Co., Ky.
5. Walker (about whom nothing is known)

QUERYWELCH

My grandfather James WELCH b. c1847 in Ireland. Came to U.S. c. 1853 with parents and younger brother William Thomas Welch. William settled in Red Mills area of Hardin Co. My father William Thomas Welch was named for his Uncle Tom. Want to correspond with any relatives. Dorothy Welch McClure, 5802 E. Linden St., Tucson, Arizona 85712.

REVOLUTIONARY WAR VETERANS IN HARDIN COUNTY

Elizabeth Ann Pate, late president of the Hardin County Historical Society, compiled a list of the Revolutionary War veterans who settled in the county after the war. The list includes: Samuel Awbry(Aubry), Anthony Ament, James Belknap, Davis Burcham, William Bush, John Carson, Warren Cash, Aaron Cook, James Crutcher, John Cundiff, Andrew Fairleigh, Forrest Davis, Jacob Flanders, John Ferguson, Isaac Goodman, Ignatius Cough, John Green, Michael Hargan, Miles Hart, Samuel Haycraft, Sr., John Helm, Thomas Helm, Frederick Hill, Robert Hodgens, Thomas Hoskin(Haskin), John How(Howe), Benjamin Howard, William Humphrey, Thomas Johnson, Alexander Keith, Benjamin Kendall, Robert Kinkade, David Linder, Andrew Long, William Lush, Hugh Lusk, David Martin, Patrick Murvin, Charles Milton, Adam Monin, John McCandless, William McClure, James McCullum, John McDowell, Alexander McDougal, James McWilliams, James Newton, John O'Daniels, Benjamin Parker, Samuel Patton, Anthony Phelps, George Rane, Henry Rains, Joseph Rider, John Rodgley, John Scott, James Slate, Joseph Smith, John Smott, John Stonebaker, Solomon Turner, Capt. Jacob Van Meter, Sr., Jacob Van Meter(Miller Jake), Isaac Vertrees, Thomas Wilkins, Nicholas West, Richard Winchester.

In addition to the above, those who guarded the frontier and served with General George Rogers Clark in his expedition against the Wabash Indians are also considered veterans. Those from Hardin County serving under Capt. Moses Kenkindall were Thompson Ashby, Thomas Amos, Charles Bush, John Carson, William Christian, Adam Coombs, Nicholas Coombs, William Cornelius, Cornelius Cummins, John Dial, Isarel Dodge, Sam Dooley, Abner Fields, C. Fields, Lewis Fields, James Farkes, Isaac Goodwin, Henry Helm, Abraham Hunter, William Johnson, James Johnston, Robert Lasley, James Sullivan, Hardin Thomas, Unah Thompson and Thomas Winn. G.W.

EL DORADO MALE AND FEMALE SEMINARY, Wolf Spring, Hardin Co., Ky.

Opened on March 5, 1860, with twenty-three pupils, the El Dorado Male and Female Seminary advertised that all parts of a most accomplished English or Classical Education are taught in this Institute. The Rev. Jas. Vinson, A.M. was the Principal and the Trustees were Rev. Jas. T. MacGill, John M. Duvall, Esq. and Haydon Yates, Esq. On the date the advertisement appeared, there were seventy gentlemen and thirty-seven ladies enrolled.

Weekly board for pupils, including washing, fuel and lights was \$1.75. Tuition per five month term for ordinary subjects was \$6.00. Latin, Greek, French, Piano, Drawing and Painting and Fancy Works were offered at additional cost.

There is no record when the first school at Wolf Spring opened. However, there seems to have been a school there from the early days of Hardin County as records show that one George Thurman taught school at Wolf Spring as early as 1825.

Today nothing remains of the school which was located three miles from the Sonora and Nolin Depots of the L&N Railroad.

G.W.

FAMILY CONNECTIONS

The following are lists of surnames and locations our members are willing to share. All counties are Kentucky counties unless otherwise designated. Remember if you write any of the contributors to include a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Anyone wishing to have their material included in this column send your surnames, counties and states to Bob Beimdick, Rt. 1, Box 278, Elizabethtown, Ky. 42701

From Mrs. Dora F. Rudd, 112 Live Oak Dr., Georgetown, Tx. 78626
 BENNETT, ALDRIDGE, POOL, MATTINGLY (all Breckinridge)
 FRAIZE/FRAZE/FRASE (Breckinridge and Hardin)

From Mr. Marshall Van Meter 1109 Westwood Dr., Tullahoma, Tn 37388
 BIRD Hardin; BLAND Hardin, Washington, Nelson and Va.;
 BRADLEY Hardin, Madison and N.C.; BUCKLES Hardin; COFER
 Bullitt and Va.; COYLE Nelson and Va.; CREAGER Hardin, Wash-
 ington; FISHER Mercer and Va.; FRYREAR Nelson and Va.;
 GRIFFEN Bullitt and Va., Md.; HARDIN Washington and Va.;
 HEAVENHILL Nelson and Va.; HUGHES Nelson; JOHNSTON Nelson;
 KING Nelson; MARSHALL Hardin, Larue, Nelson and Va.;
 OSBORNE Nelson, and Va.; RAWLINGS Hardin; SORRELL Nelson;
 SPRINGER Washington; STROUD Hardin and W. Va., Va., Pa.;
 VAN METER Hardin, and W. Va., Va., Pa., NY, NJ; WATSON Hardin.

From Linda Armstrong, 9208 Susy Lane, Schiller Park, Ill. 60176
 ALLEN Goochland & Charlotte Co, Va.; BROWN Livingston Co,
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 Co., Va.; BROWNSON Bennington Co, VT, Litchfield Co, CT,
 England; CALDWELL Lunenburg Co, Va., Ireland(north);
 DRURY Hart, Hardin, (NOT MD); Ontario Co, NY, Bennington
 Co, VT, Macoupin Co, IL, Sumner Co, KS; DUDGEON Lincoln,
 Campbell, Green, Taylor, Adair and Lunenburg, Charlotte
 Co, VA, Ireland(North); ELPHINSTON Amherst Co, VA; EDLOE/
 ENLOE Charles City Co, VA; FERGUSON Hart and Halifax Co, VA;
 HILL Amherst Co, VA; HAWKINS Hart, Hardin and Halifax,
 Frederick Co, VA; HODGES Hart, Larue and Halifax, Pittsylv.
 Co, VA, Montgomery, Macoupin Co, IL; HUNT Charles City Co,
 VA; JENNER Litchfield Co, CT; KERR/CARR Lincoln, Green,
 Taylor, Hart, poss. Amherst Co, VA; LIGHTHOLDER Living-
 ston Co, IL, Ireland; LIVELY Green, Hart and Amherst, Albem,
 Nelson Co, VA; SKINNER Stafford Co, VA; STERLING Macoupin
 co, IL; SUBLETT Cumb, Albem, Charlotte Co, VA, France;
 VALLANCE/VALLENS Litchfield Co, CT; WALTON Livingston Co,
 IL; WELTON CT; SHARPE Frederick Co, VA. Also interested
 in sibling marriages to: Gordon-Hardin Co, Ky.(Drury mar-
 riage); HARDING-Green Co, Ky.(Kerr marriage); SHERRILL-
 Green Co, Ky.(Kerr marriage); MURLIN-Hardin Co, Ky.(Drury
 marriage).

From Mr. Roy A. Dye, 1522 Stonington Rd, Hudson, OH 44236
DYE, BORDERS, HAYES, BOGARD, TIMBERLAKE, ASHCRAFT, MONICA,
ALSTON all in Hardin, Green, Larue, Nelson.

From Robert L. Parr, 4538 No. Holmes, Kansas City, Mo. 64116
RILEY BAETY PARR Hardin; JOSEPH PARR Hardin, Nelson, Lincoln; DR. ROBERT LANE ASHLOCK Hardin, Nelson; WILLIAM ASHLOCK (SUSAN THORNE) Hardin, Nelson.

From William A. Miller, 2700 Valmont Rd, Boulder, Colorado 80302
MILLER, HOWARD, DUCKWORTH mainly Hardin; TAYLOR, LILES/LYLE, KENDALL, LEACH, REID/READ, LOWE, CURLET, HARRISON Hardin. Ohio, Nelson and Frederick Co. VA.

From Mrs. Joe Abell, 307 W. La Fayette, Edina, Mo. 63537
MARY MC NEIL Nelson; SAMUEL ABELL Nelson, Hardin; ELEANOR CALVERT poss. Bourbon; OBADIAH DICKERSON poss. Bourbon; JOHN MC AFEE ?; ELLIS SCHOFIELD poss. Bourbon; WILLIAM CAVE Marion; JEREMIAH JOHNSON Pendleton; JACOB STOKELY Harrison.

From Mrs. Hilton E. Lord, 12 Twin Hills Rd, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603
HOBACK Hardin; TRUE Ky.; KINNEY Green, Hart; GREEN Hart; SIDEBOTTOM Green, Hart; TAYLOR Hardin, Hart.

From Mrs. Nancy Hurley, 500 Bellarmine Ct., Elizabethtown, Ky. 42701
SKEES Madison, Hardin; MOORMAN Grayson, Breckinridge; CALVERT Hardin, Grayson; NEIGHBORS Hardin, Grayson; CRIST Hardin, Bullitt, Nelson; GOLDSBERRY Grayson; DURBIN Madison, Hardin; TALBOTT Nelson, Hardin, Bullitt; STRICKLER Hardin; BRISCOE Nelson, Bullitt; SANDERS Grayson; WHITE Hardin, Grayson; BRYAN Nelson, Hardin; FRENCH Hardin; BUCKMAN Nelson, Marion, Hardin; ABELL Marion, Washington; CRUME Nelson, Hardin, Grayson; HILL Grayson; NEECE Grayson and Ill; ARNOLD Hardin.

QUERY

FARKES (FRAKES?)

In McClure's book, TWO CENTURIES IN ELIZABETHTOWN AND HARDIN COUNTY, KENTUCKY, mention is made of an expedition against the Wabash Indians in 1786. Among those who applied to the Hardin County Court for pay for their services, in 1800 and 1801, was listed: "James Farkes (Frakes?)". Can anyone supply any information whatever on this man? Mrs. Randall V. Frakes, 1574 Lodi Avenue, San Mateo, California 94405

DID YOU KNOW that Thomas and Nancy Hanks Lincoln made their first home in Elizabethtown after their marriage in 1806. Sarah Lincoln, Abraham's older sister, was born in Elizabethtown 10 Feb 1807. Gerald McMurtry's "A Summary of Facts Concerning the Lincolns in Hardin County"

COURT ORDER BOOK, HARDIN COUNTY, KENTUCKY, 1795

At a Court held for Hardin County on Tuesday the twenty-seventh of January one thousand seven hundred and ninety five... Present Patrick Brown John Vertrees Robert Hodgen & Bladin Ashby Gentlemen Justices

Robert Hodgen and Bladin Ashby Gentlemen Produced a commission under the hand and seal of his Excelency Isaac Shelby appointing them Justices of the peace for the County of Hardin which was openly read in Court together with a Certificate there on endorsed by Patrick Brown Esquire that the aforesaid Hodgens and Ashby were qualified to the said commission according to Law...

Rachael Cartor and William Hobson Complainers Against Robert Mosley Defendant

This day came the defendant by James Nourse his attorney and the Plaintiffs failing to prosecute their complaint on the motion of the Defendant by his attorney it is ordered that the Complaint be dismissed and that the Defendant go there of without day and recover Against the Plaintiffs or Complainers his cost by him in this behalf Expended...

A Deed from John Glen and Abigail his wife to Thomas Gilleland for two hundred and fifty acres of Land was acknowledged by the said John and ordered to be recorded the said Abigail being privately Examined as the Law directs relinquished her right of Dower in the above mentioned Land...

A Deed from John Glen and Abigail his wife to Jacob Vertrees for one hundred and seventy acres of Land was acknowledged by the said John and was ordered to be recorded The said Abigail being privately Examined as the Law directs relinquished her right of Dower in the said tract of Land...

A Deed from John Glen and Abigail his wife to Adam Ester for Eighty Eight acres of Land was acknowledged by the said John and ordered to be recorded the said Abigail being privately Examined as the Law directs relinquished her right of Dower in the said tract of Land...

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Ordered that John Vertrees and Bladin Gentlemen be appointed to settle with the Sheriff at the House of John Vertrees on the 28th of this instant as is directed by Law...

A Deed from John Glen and Abigail his wife ~~for~~ to Joseph Vanmeter son of Nathan Vanmeter for two hundred and sixty two acres of Land was acknowledged by the said John and ordered to be recorded the said Abigail being privately Examined as (the Law) directs relinquished her right of Dower...

Ordered that Conrod Walters be appointed over seer of the Road from Mr Hodgenses Bridge to Mr Pairpoints Mill in the room of John Holeman and all the tithebles that were to assist said Holeman do assist him the said Walters in Clearing and keeping the said Road in repair...

Ordered that the Court House be let to the lowest bidder at the March Court agreeable to a plan that will be published on the said day and that the sheriff advertise the same...

A deed from Philip Philips and Susanah his wife for three hundred and fifty seven acres of Land to Samuel Watkins was proved by the oath of David McClure one of the subscribing witnesses thereto who made oath that he said the other witnesses subscribe their names thereto and the same was ordered to Lay for further proof...

On the motion of Isaac Hynes Gent sheriff Ichabod Radly was admitted his deputy and sworn according to Law...

Ordered that Court be adjourned until Court in Course to be held at this place... P Brown

GENEALOGY INFORMATION AVAILABLE (continued)

As the historical society is going in the hole supplying copies at 25¢ per page, the price has been raised to 40¢ per page in hopes of breaking even. Remember to send a self addressed stamped envelope. It is best to make inquiries as to what is available BEFORE sending any money.

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Du Bois	Green	Hough-	Lett	Melton
Durham	Grinstead	Huff	Lewis	(to be continued)

VALLEY CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH MEMBERSHIP LIST (continued)

Lizzie Howey	Martha Preyor	T. W. Bush
Willie Howey	Annie Bell Mann	Maggie Bush
Maude Vernon	Annie E. Lewis	Emmit Murell
Sammie Vernon	George Brown	Clara Bradford
Richard Vernon	Bettie Howey-	Ossie Tabb
Virgil H. Tabb	Hartfield	Vance Tabb
Weed D. Tabb	Mattie Hodges	Blanch Read
James Mann	Ida Irwin	Lulie Ballinger-
J. C. Mann	Blanch Reid	Devers
Amanda Mann	d. 30 Jun 1899	Alice Ballinger-
Mollie Mann	Birdie Mc Murtry	Harris
Alex Mann	Claude E. Bush	Laura Brown-
Joseph Preyor	Mary Able	Carter
Nora Green	Mary Griffin	James Brown
Sallie Durhm	W. E. Carter	Mollie Brown
John Durhm	Mrs. Carter	Martha Brown
Eliza Durhm	Charlie Price	Joe Rogers
Robert Bailey	Henry Edlin	Willet Horn
James Roberts, Sr.	Clay Edlin	Eskell Horn
James Roberts, Jr.	William Tweddle	d. Nov 1904
Eliza Roberts	Lois Durham	Nannie C. Bush
Ed Hardin	Edith Carter	Alice Weller
Lois Hardin	Fannie McMillen	Rev. W. J. Carver
James Howard	Ethel McMillen	Nanna Carver
Henry Priest	d. 29 Jan 1903	Philip H. May
Robert Andrews	Ludie Bush	Clarence Percifull
Robert Banmeter	Adia Corliss	Alonzo Edlin
George W. Hicks	Clarence Goodin	Hurbert Horn
Willie Hicks	Elija Tweddell	Kate L. Perry
Huler Hicks	Willie Stater	Mamie Tabb
Havey N. Gunter	Owen Kirtley	James R. Bethel
Rebecca Hillyard	Riley Stinit	Josie Reid
John Ragsdale	Myrtie Fox	Clarence Brown
Lois Ragsdale	John Biggirs	
Eddie Cundiff	Maggie Biggers-	(concluded)
Charles Rogers	Horn	
William Bethel	Edward Horn	
Nannie Bethel	Edward Bethel	
Ed Goodin	Hattie Preyor	
Ben Durham d. 1902	Lizzie Hodges	
Ida Durham	John W. Hodges	
R. E. Kirtley	Altha Roberts	
Josie Bush	Clarence Bush	
Debbie Fife	Sallie Cleaver	
Fannie Cosine	Nora Ash	
W. M. Perciful	J. R. Rogers	
Annie Horn-Murell	Elizabeth Rogers	
William Percell	H. R. Rogers	
Edith Durham	Geo. D. Tabb	
Ambrose Edlin	Malissa Tabb	
M. L. Jenkins	Roy Tabb	

BIBLE RECORD--SHEKELL-SHECKLES

Mrs. Nita Creager Freeman, 15 Lonesome Polecat Lane, Washoe Valley, Carson City, Nevada 89701, has in her possession the following Bible. It was found in the trunk of her father's Aunt Agnes Marshall.

A NEW VERSION OF THE POSLMS OF DAVID Fitted to the Tunes Used in Churches. by N. BRADY, D.D. Chaplain in Ordinary and N. TATE. Esq. Poet-Laureat. BOSTON, Printed and Sold by Samuel Hall, No. 53, ___rnhill, MDCCXCI, To His BRITANNICK MAJESTY.

First Page

Abraham Shekell October 3 1804
 Ann Shekell born October 28 1805
 Eastor Shekell born May 2 1807
 Frances Shekell born September 25 1808
 Martha Shekell born November 21 1809
 Angelina Shekell born July 9th 1812
 (S or L)erene Shekell born October 21 1816 departed this life
 November 13 1816

Second Page

Thomas Shekell born February 14 1778
 Amon Shekell born May 10 1781
 Abraham Shekell born Novembor 15 1735
 Ann Shekell born May 28 1740 departed this life June 28 1802
 Crecy Shekell born November 21 1809 departed this life
decembor 2 1809

Third Page

William Washington Shekell**born decembor the 22 1817
 Elizabeth Shekell**born february *8 1819 (appears to be "y")
 departed this life february 23 1819
 William Thomas Mac Millian***was born february the 26 1829
 NOTE: **appears to be same handwriting but in larger and
 darker script, as if writer were older.
 ***different handwriting

Fourth Page (both entries in still different handwriting)
 Ann Sheckles (Note: first use of this spelling) departed this
 life April 20th 1844 Aged 38 years 5 Month and 22 days
 Thomas Sheckell departed this life November the 16 1846 Aged
 68 years and 9 Months

Back of fourth page

Dr. Goelicks Matchless senetative

Another Page

William Bush born December the 18th 1806

On the inside of the back cover is written a name that could be Eleanor. The first letter, although legible, appears to resemble "C".

ELIZABETHTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES, 1797

Elizabeth Town December 5th 1797 The Board of Trustees meet according to adjournment Present John Vertrees Stephen Rawlings Samuel Haycraft Armstead Churchill Benjamin Helm & James Crutcher Gentlemen

Ordered that the Lots be disposed of Agreeable to the advertisement

Ordered that Mr Armstead Churchill Superintend the sale of Laid Lotts

Proceeded to sell the said Lotts and Benjamin Helm purchased Lott for £9 10 0 Aron Rawlings Lott for £20 13 0 Isaac McNamee Lott for £6 1 0 Mashack Lewallin Lott for £6 3 0 Armstead Churchill Lott for £11 5 0 James Crutcher Lott for £11 5 0 William Coombes Lott for £11 16 6 Isaac Emley Lott for £7 0 0 Stephen Rawlings Lott for £19 2 0

Ordered that the Board adjourn untill April Court
Attst Jas Crutcher John Vertrees ck

Elizabeth Town June the 7th 1798 A Board of Trustees for said Town meet Present John Vertrees Stephen Rawlings William Kelso James Crutcher Benjamin Helm Gentlemen

A Deed to Ichabud Radley for one half a Lott No 2 was acknowledged
John Vertrees ck

August 20th 1798 Elizabeth Town The Board of the Trustees meet at Mr James Crutchers Tavern Agreeable to adjournment Present John Vertrees Stephen Rawlings James Crutcher Benjamin Helm Armstead Churchill Gentlemen

Ordered that Morris Miles be appointed Clerk to the Board of Trustees in the Room of Isaac Morrison Present William Kelso Gent

Ordered that the Lotts No 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, & 26 be changed from the plan that is recorded in the County Court of Hardin and stand agreeable to the plan this Day agreed upon

A Deed to Benjamin Helm for Lotts No 7, 8, & 19 was acknowledged

Ordered that the Board of the Trustees Adjourn untill next Friday week
John Vertrees ck

QUERY

HAYCRAFT, RHOADS, VAN METER, HELMS, JOLLY, DU BOIS, STRODE or STROUD, BLANCHAN, HUBBARD

Samuel, James and Joshua Haycraft were brothers raised by John Neville. Two more brothers Mark and John lived in North Carolina. Does anyone know by whom they were raised after losing their parents early in life. Would like to hear from anyone working on the above named families.
Mrs. Dean Haycraft, Box 193, Lewisville Mn. 56060

QUERIESDAVIS, NELSON

Abraham Thompson DAVIS b. 1813 d. 1875 (blacksmith) m. Verlinda NELSON. In Severns Valley area 1810 Census. Need his parents, brothers and sisters. Abraham's son John J. and grandson Bedford lived in Vine Grove area. Ronald Davis, 5114 Maryview Dr., Louisville, Ky. 40216

JACKSON, SPENCER

Seeking information on parents of Isaac JACKSON b. c1797 in Va. m. 31 Jan 1822 in Bullitt Co, Ky. Matelda SPENCER. Isaac possibly in Hardin Co. in 1820 at Little Y community. Mary R. Gerlach, 860 Fetter Ave., Louisville, Ky. 40217

SALLEE

Melissa F. SALLEE b. 18 Jun 1866, d. 13 Mar 1937 m. George Dan TABB b. 29 Aug 1862, d. 18 Jul 1941. Who were her parents? Grandparents? Any help appreciated. Dan Lee, 907 N. Main St., Elizabethtown, Ky. 42701

GUY, JOHNSTON, MARSHALL, PARK, FULLERTON, HARRISON, GOODIN, JEFFRIES, MILLER SHEKELL(SHECKLES), MC MILLEN, BIRD, CREAGER

Need information on

Ann GUY m. Lancaster, Pa. Capt. John JOHNSTON (1721-1821)
John MARSHALL m. Mary PARK--N. J. or Pa. in 1700's
Samuel MARSHALL (1790-1835) m. Ann FULLERTON (both d. 1835)
Pa., Ind., or Ill.?

John Steele MARSHALL (1824-1887 Hardin Co.) m. 1. Agnes HARRISON-- Ind. or Hardin Co.? Descendents: Ella May m. Goodin; Granville Goodin; Mrs. C. E. Jeffries d. 1931 Louisville; Mrs. Agnes Miller; Lillian Goodin.

SHEKELL (SHECKLES) family Maryland to Hardin Co.

Samuel MC MILLEN and son William to Hardin Co. from ?

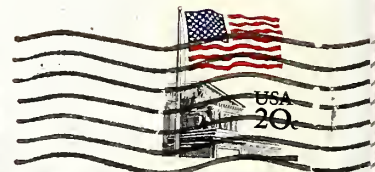
Sally BIRD, dau. of Jacob, m. Christian CREAGER

Mrs. Nita C. Freeman, 15 Lonesome Polecat Lane, Washoe Valley, Carson City, NV. 89701

WELLER

Seeking info on David WELLER (1792-c1847) m. Mary (Polly) MATHIS 1 Nov 1815 Nelson Co. Moved to Hardin Co. c1825 where he was a gunsmith till his death. Parents were Daniel (1762-1807) and Anna Margaret FIROR (1766-1844) WELLER of Frederick Co., Md. and later Nelson Co., Ky. Mr. Shelby W. Gallien, 3807 Tarrington Dr., Ft. Wayne, Ind. 46815

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